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1. The Dzhherzhinski Tractor Plant is in Stalingrad. ** Plant production figures agree fairly well with one another. Twenty tractors per 24-hour period is the production figure given for May 1948. From the end of 1948 to May 1949, the estimates range between 35 and 40, while in October 1949 the average daily production was 50 to 60 tractors. According to the vehicle produced was a caterpillar tractor fitted with one drive wheel, one idler wheel, and four track supporting rollers arranged in pairs on a spring. Six sources report a gasoline engine; five of them speak of four cylinders, one of six cylinders. According to the construction was planned of a six-cylinder Diesel engine, which would go into production in the summer of 1949. Only one model with a Diesel engine had been observed by October 1949, but another that a new engine was to go into production in
2. One source, stated that the engine production was 25 percent higher than the chassis production. The surplus engines were shipped to Moscow or Kharkov. the production of 500 crankshafts and 140 axles, but he did not know what period of time this production covered. the production of spare parts for tractors. In addition, rumors of the manufacture of tank parts in factories 400 and 25, estimate that this production cannot have been large. ***
3. Both outgoing shipments of tractors and incoming shipments of raw materials and small quantities of scrap were moved by rail. One source mentions the delivery of link pins, valve tappets, springs, and electrical equipment from a plant in Stalingrad. No source mentioned the existence of a motor vehicle park; however, who worked in the "Red Barricade" works, stated that the two plants had a common park of 40 to 50 vehicles.
4. Three shifts were worked at the plant of the workforce range between 7,500 and 15,000. Two by the Soviets that the plant employed 30,000. Several sources indicated that 60 to 65 percent of the workforce were women.
5. A wooden fence with barbed wire and watchtowers surround the plant yards. Air raid protection measures were not observed.

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